World War I- Historical Fiction Assignment Balazs, Due Friday 3/5

By WWI, literacy was common throughout Europe, as a result, letters from the front were common as well as diary entries. You will write a **Diary Entry** or **Letter** back home.

You will be assigned one of the below Creative Writing- incorporates actual facts into your diary entry.

This will be an opportunity to test your creativity. You can pick your persona; wealthy, poor, infantryman, aristocrat, single or married but however you develop your persona it should be consistent with the culture, religion (ie. it would be unusual for a German soldier to pray to Allah but you’re soldier could be Protestant, Catholic or Jewish) and timeframe of the war. In some cases a soldier may feel a divided allegiance. Be aware of your time frame!!! In other words- you are writing it as if you were there—…unless you’re Rasputin- your sense of the future is pretty limited.

Your letter/Diary entry should be btw 1 and 1.5 pages long 2x spaced. It should incorporate appropriate dates, geography, and events of the battle that you are involved in.

Since private letters and diary entries typically are highly personal, you should try incorporate an emotional element. It can be melodramatic but try not to be over the top where it becomes farcical. The results of the Battle events should also be part of your entry.

Historical fiction

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|  | Period 8 |
| 1. British Soldier at Battle of Marne | aidan |
| 2. German soldier at Battle of Somme | stephen |
| 3. Russian peasant soldier at Battle at Tannebaum | Sam |
| 4. Polish soldier (Austro-Hungary? Germany? Russian?) at Second Battle at Masurian Lake | Carter- Austrian  Katie d- German  Meghan- Russian  Molly- Pole |
| 5. Italian campaign Soldier Austria Hungarian (Czech/Pole/Hungarian/German/Croatian/Bosnian) soldier | Mickey- Czech  Nick– Pole  Christian- Bosnian  Spencer- Croat  Colten- Hungarian |
| 6. Irish nationalist soldier fighting for Britain at the Battle of the Somme | Christian |
| 7.French Soldier from African Colony at Battle of Verdun | Jake |
| 8. Ottoman Soldier at the Battle of Galipoli | Sloane |
| 9. British Soldier from India at the 2nd Battle of Ypres | Matt |
| 10.Arab Soldier fighting for Britain at the Battle of Aqaba | Mary Kate |
| 11. Italian Soldier WWI, Italian Campaign | Sarah C |
| 12. German Soldier at the Battle of Verdun | Mac |
| 13. German U-Boat at the Battle of Jutlandt | Sarah S |
| 14. English Dreadnaught sailor at the Battle of Jutlandt | Katie M |
| 15. Russian aristocrat at the 2nd Battle at Masurian Lakes | Kelly K |

Quiz grade (35 points)

Be ready to read and/or discuss your entry with the class.